

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 25, 2014

RE: H.R. No. 15
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.R.
No. 15 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
TO STUDY THE CORRELATION BETWEEN SEXUAL ABUSE AND POST-
TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER WITHIN THE STATE'S FEMALE PRISON
POPULATION, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to reduce the emotional damage
suffered by female inmates who are victims of sexual abuse in
prison by requesting the Department of Public Safety to conduct a
study examining the correlation between sexual abuse and post-
traumatic stress disorder within the female inmate population.

A few concerned individuals supported this measure. The
Department of Public Safety supported the intent of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requesting that the University of Hawaii conduct the
study, rather than the Department of Public Safety; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the
purposes of clarity, consistency, and style, including
amending its title to read: "HOUSE RESOLUTION
REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO STUDY THE
CORRELATION BETWEEN SEXUAL ABUSE AND POST-TRAUMATIC



STRESS DISORDER WITHIN THE STATE'S FEMALE PRISON
POPULATION. "

Your Committee received testimony on this matter reflecting concern that the subject matter of the report was too narrow, as men who have experienced sexual abuse in prison exhibit similar symptoms. Should your Committee on Finance choose to hear this measure, your Committee encourages further discussion of this consideration as this measure moves through the legislative process.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 15, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Public Safety in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 15, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Human Services,


MELE CARROLL, Chair



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The Twenty-seventh Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services

Bill/Resolution No.: <u>HR 15</u>	Committee Referral: <u>HVS, PBS</u>	Date: <u>3/20/14</u>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HUS Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. CARROLL, Mele (C)	—			
2. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand (VC)	—			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	—			
4. CREAGAN, Richard	—			
5. HASHEM, Mark J.	—			
6. JORDAN, Jo	—			
7. MORIKAWA, Dee	—			
8. OSHIRO, Marcus R.	—			
9. WOODSON, Justin H.	—			
10. FUKUMOTO, Beth	—			
TOTAL (10)	<u>10</u>			
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Bj K...</u>				
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